

## NEW SENATORS TO BE WINNERS.

President Postal Discusses  
the Team for 1902.

NOT UNDER A SYNDICATE CONTROL.

Strong Lot of Players Secured for  
the Coming Season—Right Field  
Still Vacant, But Willie Keeler  
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fer Talk Baseless.

If President Fred Postal and Manager Tom Loftis, of the Washington Baseball Club, are not mistaken in their estimate of the playing abilities of the men who have been signed to play ball in this city next summer, the Senators of 1902 will be in the front rank when the chase for the pennant is terminated, and the local admirers of the game will enjoy the unique sensation of cheering for a winning team.

Mr. Postal and his right-hand man, Mr. Loftis, arrived in Washington last night, for the purpose of looking over the baseball situation. Neither had been in the Capital since the retirement of James Manning from the management of the Senators. They will be here for a few days, during which time they will be the guests of Hector Climes.

Both Mr. Postal and Mr. Loftis are sanguine of the success of next year's representatives of this city in the American League, and with the men already under contract, even if no others are secured, they cannot easily figure out the club lower than third place. They are enthusiastic over the outlook for a team that will stand up among the leaders, if it is not the leader itself, and make the assertion that the patrons of the national game in this city will enjoy a run for their money, any way.

No Syndicate Baseball.

"There will be no syndicate baseball, so far as Washington is concerned," said Mr. Postal last night. "Our legal representatives, when we made this assertion, was simply mistaken. Mr. Loftis and I own the Senators, with a few local stockholders. Neither Ben Johnson nor Charles Gensky, the manager of the Chicago American League team, has any interest in the club further than their personal wishes to see Mr. Loftis and myself have a lot of good men on our payroll. If they can do anything to aid us in our efforts to give the people of Washington a strong team they will undoubtedly do so. Mr. Climes may even release one of his outfielders to Loftis to strengthen our guard against the pirates, but this is not at all settled yet. Anyway, there is to be no syndicate baseball, so far as I know. All we are going to try to do is to get together the best collection of players we can, and thus do everything in our power to bring the pennant to Washington. If we fail, we will have the satisfaction of knowing that we did what we could."

A Lot of Strong Players.

The club, as it at present stands, is really very much stronger than almost any other organization in the American League last year, and if the same players had been with Manning last summer the Senators would have occupied a more exalted position when the chase for the pennant ended.

"For catchers we have signed Donohue, former Chicago backstop, who is, without any exception, one of the cleverest receivers in the business. Bill Clarke is a possibility, although we have not yet signed him. Clarke is a very good Washington knows, is a rattling good catcher, a fair hitter and a good man to have on any team."

In the pitching department I think we are exceptionally well able to look after ourselves. The people of Washington know about Carrick, Lee and Patten, all three of whom we have secured for another season. Then, in addition, we have Orin and Townsend, of last year's Philadelphia National League club.

The infield will be looked after by Carey, who will guard first base; Wolverton at second; Ely at short; and Combs at his old stamping ground, at the third terminal.

High-Class Men.

Carey is one of the ablest fielders in baseball, and he has recently been hitting at a rapid rate, and I look for him to make good in fine shape. About Wolverton there is no doubt. He is one of the finest infielders in the game, while, as for his hitting, he is in a class by himself, almost. Ely is a brilliant fielder, and the fans of the Capital had a pretty good chance to give up his work last season when he held down shortstop for the Athletics. Combs cannot be improved upon for third, I think. He is one of the fastest fielders of his position to be found anywhere, and his hitting, too, is exceptionally strong for a young player. Combs has not had as much experience as some of the other men, and I look to see him play a better game next year than he did last. He is a corner, and no mistake.

In left field we have the only hot-hitting outfielder of the Philadelphia National League club, and on account of his acquisition I have decided not to touch the left field fence from its present position. I think the club will have a little fun dropping the sphere over that fence once a day or two, although, as yet, we have not seen the situation and expressed his complete satisfaction with the distance from the home plate to the top of the boards. Gotsman will train down the dailies in center. He was a member of the Senators in 1897, since which time he has been playing a good game for Buffalo.

Offer \$4,500 to Keeler.

"We have not decided on a right fielder, but will pay any price for the right sort of a man. We have offered 'Willie' Keeler four thousand dollars for the season, with a bonus of \$500 for signing the contract. I have not heard from him yet."

The point is just this: We have expended so much money for our players that we do not propose to let a matter of a few thousand stand in the way of getting a few more men who will round out the club to our complete satisfaction. We are out to give Washington a baseball club that the people will take a pride in, and they will have such a lot of Senators next summer as to make Tom Loftis' persuasive abilities and experience can get them.

Will Stay Tight Here.

"One thing I desire to be particularly emphatic in saying—the Washington club will not be transferred to any other city, no matter what rumors may have been circulated to the contrary. I don't care what stories may be sent out about the trouble in the ranks of the National League club and the fact that all announcements that the Senators are booked for New York City. They are to stay here in Washington as long as we remain in control of the club. This New York talk is the vilest sort. There are only two available grounds for baseball in Gotham and they are controlled by Andrew Freedman, and at present I am not talking up with Freedman or any other man, with the exception of Loftis."

Neither Mr. Postal nor Mr. Loftis has

## INTER-CITY BASEBALL SERIES.

Local Y. M. C. A. and Central of Baltimore Play Tomorrow Night.

The first of a series of games for the inter-city indoor baseball championship, between the Y. M. C. A. of this city and the Central Y. M. C. A. of Baltimore, will be played tomorrow night in the association gymnasium, 1722 G Street.

The teams are well matched in nearly every department, and the game should be interesting from start to finish. The same teams played a series last season, and the locals won.

The line-up: Washington. Baltimore. Spence, pitcher; Berman, R. Sheppard, catcher; Frank Greene, first base; Frank Bielecki, right short; Shek S. Shepard, second base; Burlingame, third base; left short; Schulz King, third base; Heister Brown, right field; Clayland Meade, left field. 1390.

FOOTBALL MEN DROPPED.

Lafayette Players Punished for Neglecting Their Studies.

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 19.—There is a sensation among Lafayette College students. Several men who neglected studies to play football have been dropped. This is not surprising, for it is well known that some of the men who aspire to football honors never study, while others not only care for the sport, but in their studies as well. It seems that one of the professors brought the matter to the attention of the authorities at a faculty meeting. He took the ground that the college could not afford to tolerate this sort of thing. It is probable all the other professors thought the same. The vote to drop the offenders was unanimous.

"RUBE" WADDELL SIGNED.

To Pitch Next Season on the Los Angeles Nine.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 19.—Manager Morley today signed "Rube" Waddell to pitch for the Los Angeles team during the season. Waddell will remain in Los Angeles after the close of the present American League series, and will take a place in the new touring party, now being built.

His accession to Los Angeles will put that team in the front rank for the present season, as he stood second this year, being beaten only by San Francisco.

PRESLEY'S ESTATE.

Brother Asks to Be Named as Administrator.

Henry M. Presley, brother of Samuel C. Presley, through his attorneys, James F. Rogers and Henry K. Beck, filed a petition yesterday in the Orphans' Court for letters of administration on the estate of the deceased. The petition sets forth that Samuel C. Presley died intestate, unmarried, and without issue. He left no debts, except such as are incident to his burial. His assets consisted of a policy in the New York Life Insurance Company of \$1,000, salary as chief from the Government Printing Office, and his personal effects.

Mr. Presley is survived by his mother, Amanda E. Presley, his brothers, Hoses W. Presley, Andrew L. Presley, Henry M. Presley, Elias F. Presley, his sisters, Mary E. Peters, Joe Main, Nora Franklin, Sallie W. Grigg, and his wife, who is now a resident of Maryland.

The "Pinnacle" says that fourteen years ago Presley was suspected of the murder of two girls who were found dead at Gainesville, Texas, but as evidence was never found sufficient to warrant his arrest, he was allowed to leave that section of the country.

THOMPSON'S TRIAL TODAY.

Man Accused of Stealing Diamond Pin Out on Bail.

Albert Thompson will be presented in the Police Court this morning on a charge of stealing a diamond pin, valued at \$75, from the jewelry establishment of Galt & Bros., Thompson secured his release yesterday on a \$150 bond.

The man denies that he attempted to steal the diamond pin. His sleeve, he says, caught the end of the pin, and the pin was pulled out of the tray and onto the floor without his knowledge.

SANTA CLAUS

Candy-filled Xmas Boxes presented with Children's Shoes.

A Record-Making

FRIDAY SHOE-SALE.

With cold weather emphasizing self-needs and Christmas prompting gift-buying our extra SHOE attractions for today are bound to be appreciated. In spite of the week's dazzling bargain opportunities, today's special offerings will stand out boldly, and a re-enforced store and delivery service will prevent Record-Breaking Selling from interfering with your convenience and satisfaction.

Women's Shoes.

Nearly 2,000 pairs \$1 to \$1.50 pretty satin-quilted, felt and hand-knit worsted bedroom slippers; today.

Good \$1.50 quality, fur-bound, warm-lined Juliette in best felt or satin, with a bonus of \$200 for signing the contract. I have not heard from him yet.

Best-known make white flannel-lined Rubber Boots; all sizes; today.

Best wearing velvety kid and box calf single and double-bottom Boots you ever had at \$2. Today only.

41 different sorts elegant \$3 grade hand-sewed flannel-lined velvet calf Boots. Today.

Several thousand pairs \$2.50 Galt & Bros. Patent Ideal kid Dress Boots. Unexcelled at \$5. Today.

Children's.

Best-known make of reliable rubber Overshoes; all sizes for Misses and Children. Today.

Warm Jersey Leggings, all sizes, for girls and Little Soldiers. Today.

Solid, serviceable, kid and calf faced and button Shoes for girls and boys; sizes up to 6. Today.

Children's best quality flannel-lined Rubber Boots; all sizes up to 2. Today.

Excellent \$2 grade Velvety Kid and Box Calf Shoes; 4 styles for girls; 2 styles for boys. Today.

Regular \$2.50 quality hand-sewed box calf and surprise kid, extension sole Shoes; boys' or girls' at \$1.95.

Men's.

Imitation alligator and hand-stamped embroidered velvet slippers; all sizes. Today.

54 pairs regular \$1.50 chambray-lined kid bottom slippers; sizes 3 to 7 only. Today.

Best-known make of warm lined cloth buckle Annettes and storm overshoes. Today.

Motor-men's combination felt and rubber boots and workmen's heavy hip boots. Today.

Best quality rubber boots, heavy or light, self-sewing or not, all lined, all sizes up to 12.

Up-to-date \$2.50 khaki patent leather, canvas and box calf winter shoes. Today.

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## COURT ADJOURNS BASEBALL CASE.

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President Spaulding Refuses to Discuss Matters Pending Settlement of the Fight Over His Election.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Spaulding-Freedman case, involving the former's election to the presidency of the National League, came up in Part I of the Supreme Court today, but was postponed until tomorrow because Freedman's attorney, Delancy Nicol, wished to attend the funeral of Prescott Hall Butler.

Mr. Spaulding's Reply.

When Spaulding was asked what he had to say about the legal aspects of the baseball situation he replied: "Nothing. It is up to the courts and my case is in the hands of my personal attorney, Alfred W. Kiddle. In accordance with my instructions Mr. Kiddle appeared in court this morning prepared to go on with the case, but the plaintiff asked for a postponement, which I understood the court granted."

New Orleans Entries.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—Entries for tomorrow's races:

First race—For maiden two-year-olds; five and one-half furlongs.—Goldbug, 112; Kiki, 110; All About, 108; 109; Brewer Schorr, 107; Anna Stevens, 106; Brown, Eliza Dillan, Norma, Winona, Emma A. M., The Fashion, 104.

Second race—For four-year-olds and upward; selling; one mile and one-sixteenth miles.—Precursor, 108; Eddy Riley, Alex. Pay the Fiddler, 107; James, Helen Paxton, Cerylon, Star Cotton, Frank Ireland, 105; Major Manser, 104; Myth, Donator, 102.

Third race—Steeplechase handicap; short course.—Bristol, 145; Dick Furber, 142; Eva Mae, 135; Divergent, 134; Harve B. Dagmar, Chiffon, 130.

Fourth race—For three-year-olds and upward; handicap; one mile and seventy yards.—Henry Bert, 140; Len, 139; Harve B. Dagmar, Chiffon, 130.

Fifth race—For two-year-olds; six furlongs.—Balm of Gilead, 112; 119; Lord Quail, Cast Iron, 108; Preterious, Orla, The Hayden, 105; Colonel Stone, 100; Puryear, Duke of Connaught, 98; Man, 95.

Sixth race—For three-year-olds and upward; one mile.—Henry Bert, 112; Dorothy Lee, Ida Penance, Watta, Menace, Donna Say, 102; Choice, Saline, Alard, 97; Socapa, Masterful, 94.

New Orleans Entries.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—Results of today's races; track fast:

First race—For three-year-olds and upward; selling; seven furlongs.—Dominion (Kiki), 3 to 1, won; Sam Laguerre (Eg), 2 to 1, second; Marie Bolton (Castro), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:23.4.

Second race—All ages; six furlongs.—Certain (May), 4 to 5, won; Bayou (Hewer), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:21.

Third race—For three-year-olds and upward; selling; one mile.—Abraham (W. Woods), 5 to 1, won; Harrison (E. Moss), 15 to 1, second; Me (Walwright), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:19.4.

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Charleston Entries.

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